

To whom it may concern;

As a citizen of this great, democratic nation, I am deeply disturbed by the actions Sinclair corporation is taking by forcing stations to broadcast an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. I would have no problem whatsoever if both sides of the political debate are presented as if they choose to air "Stolen Honor," they should immediately proceed to show a program like "Going Upriver". This action would make for a fair and balanced journalism. Instead, current behavior attests to the dangers of media consolidation, and a total disregard for ethical behavior in journalism.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs a more responsible handling. I urge everyone involved in the process of media communication to act responsibly therefore eliminating the possibility of rupturing our valued democracy.

Thank you.